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COMMUNISTS SERVE NEW ULTIMATUM Want Gov't To Give Answer By April 20 ASK FOR BRIDGEHEADS

Nanking, April 17.

The Chinese Communist radio announced today a deadline of April 20 has been set for Government acceptance of the Communist peace programme.

The programme is believed here to amount to virtual surrender of Nationalist China.

The broadcast said Communist negotiators in Peiping handed the Government delegation a programme embodying eight articles and 24 items which it said must be signed by April 20 when peace negotiations will be concluded.

The eight articles are believed to be Mao Tse-tung's and are to be formed as part of routine and normal transfer of garrisons.

The Communists, as predicted, apparently are attempting to seize the opportunity to haul without firing a shot their forces across the last natural barrier to block their domination of the country. With bases established South of the Yangtze River, the Communists would be able to crush all surviving opposition with greater ease.

The Communists originally demanded an immediate crossing but changed their demand last week to a crossing after the conclusion of a peace settlement.

In reporting the march yesterday, the Communist radio said: "It will swell the ranks of the field armies now massing at the Northern banks of the Yangtze all China."

The skies over Kunming, capital of Yunnan, buzzed with airplanes bringing troops believed to be those of General Hu Tsung-nan, from the North West, as reinforcements to cope with the spreading rebellion in several parts of Yunnan.

Press reports stated rebel units after capturing Paoshan, in Western Yunnan, were advancing eastward to threaten Tai, famous for production of marble stones. About 30 counties representing two-fifths of Yunnan, are occupied by the insurgents.

One of the chief purposes of delegate Huang Shao-hsiung's return to Nanking yesterday was to consult the government on these problems, especially the one regarding a Communist crossing of the Yangtze River. Mr. Huang also brought back a full report on the progress of the talks and a preliminary agreement in general principles and technical points raised by the Communists for the attainment of their eight-point peace terms.

It was reliably learned that the Communists also specified that their troops be allowed to cross the river at four ferry points, namely, Kuanzhuang, Chinkiang, Wuhu and Kukchung, 40, 50 and 220 miles East, East, South West and South West of Nanking, respectively.

The veteran Kuomintang leader, Dr. Yu Yu-jen's projected visit to Peiping was understood chiefly for the purpose of persuading the Communists to make some concessions on this point. Mr. Yu celebrated his 71st birthday yesterday and will probably leave for Peiping tomorrow if weather permits.

Mr. Pan Kung-chen, the chairman of the Shanghai City Council, Mr. Pan Kung-chen and other local commercial leaders, proposed a new Shanghai currency to replace the rapidly depreciating gold yuan at a meeting with the Secretary General of the Municipal Government, Mr. Chen Liang, yesterday, according to press reports.

Mr. Pan is quoted as stating that a new currency was urgently necessary because of the people's loss of confidence in the gold yuan.

A proposal to permit designated commercial banks to issue their own banknotes as an effort to remedy Shanghai's currency shortage was made by a group of business people and city officials.

Rumours of a currency reform for Taiwan, in which another step toward severing the economic and financial ties with the mainland would be taken, today swept the island. So far there was no official comment.—Associated Press, United Press and Reuter.

The next move to break the current stalemate is expected to come from Nanking where Nationalist top-level discussions, led by Acting President Li Tsung-ien and Premier Ho Ying-chin meeting, were held to work out a suitable formal answer for delegate Huang Shao-hsiung to take back to Peiping.

Informed quarters said the Nationalists would draft the reply in such manner as to defer the question to future settlement.

These quarters said the government was expected to inform the Communists it would not object to the Communists reviving the

THE WEATHER

At 0630 GMT (5 p.m. HKST) a moderate anti-cyclone of the SE of Japan is moving E. From it a weak ridge extends to W. China. Pressure is relatively low over India and the Philippines. Today's forecast—Moderate E to SE winds, cloudy and misty with rain or drizzle patches early, partial clearance during the afternoon.

Yesterday's Weather—

Maximum 68.1 deg. Fah.
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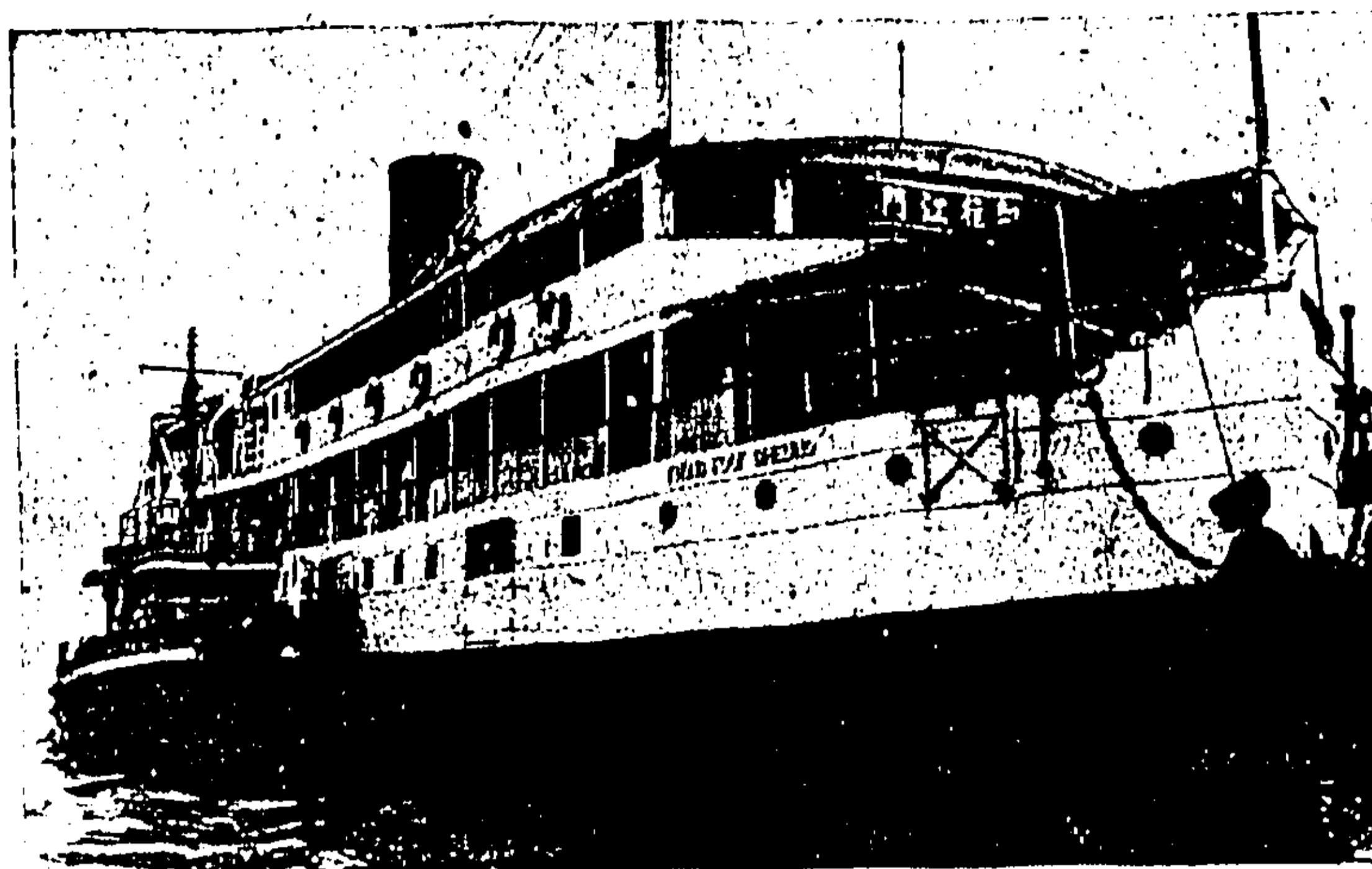
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Battle Of Taiyuan

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British Ship Fired On



The British river vessel Kwong Fook Cheung (top) arrived here yesterday, bearing bullet holes of a land and sea attack by West River pirates as she was on route from Kowloon on Saturday night. A single bullet (b) was believed to have killed Mr. Lau Chung-cham, popular local Chinese sportsman, and seriously injured Mrs. Ivy K. Morris, wife of Mr. W. J. Morris, of the Hong Kong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. (China Mail Photo).

'Sunday Times' On India's Role

London, April 17.

In a leading article on the forthcoming Commonwealth Conference the Conservative 'Sunday Times' said today:

"On the surface, the issue before the Prime Minister appears to be that of seeking, primarily for India's sake, a formula whereby a State adopting the title and forms of a Republic may yet remain a member.

"Any tampering with the position of the common group as the constitutional nexus is soon found to compromise the essential nature of the Commonwealth—it is common citizenship, its relations with foreign States, its organic unity.

"No advantages in membership could compensate for such a suicidal sacrifice.

"Let everything he done to ease the difficulties of those who have republican scruples for their continued membership is important to themselves and to the rest."

"Put in the last report it should be for them to make the choice, not for those of us who have no wish to qualify either our membership of the Commonwealth or our allegiance to the King."

Admiral Fukudome, a Japanese prisoner of war from Malaya, who was among the passengers, was escorted from Singapore by a British Major.

It was learned that Admiral Fukudome would be proceeding to Japan shortly, to give evidence to a trial there. He has been serving a four-year term in a Malayan prison as a war criminal.

Mr. A. D. Bennett, Far East regional manager of BOAC, who arrived aboard the flying-boat, said the trip from the United Kingdom to Singapore was a survey flight. The plane has been chartered to carry Hong Kong's 32 delegates to the British Industries Fair on its return flight Wednesday.

The flight from Singapore to Hong Kong was made in eight instead of the usual nine hours.

Mr. Bennett explained that because of the time saved by the Speedbird Solent's 210-miles-per-hour cruising speed, passengers would have more time for sight-seeing on long distance flights.

The delegates to the British Industries Fair thus can expect to have time to talk with members of the Chambers of Commerce in various cities along the way. The trip will take four and a half days altogether.

A special feature of the new plane is its two complete decks, permitting passengers greater freedom of movement than in the ordinary flying-boats.

This was the first Speedbird Solent to arrive at Kai Tak. Mr. Bennett said that he did not know whether flying-boats of this type would be used on the Hong Kong route in the future however, they have been flying regularly from Southwark to Johannesburg for some time.

This afternoon representatives of local newspapers are to enjoy "joy rides" over the Colony in the Solent plane at BOAC's invitation.

The passengers aboard the plane from Singapore were: Mr. Foo Jong Kim, Mr. Lim Tong Chai,

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ONE DIES AS RIVER PIRATES FIRE ON SHIP

A local Chinese sportsman was killed and a European woman seriously wounded when pirates attacked from land and sea the British river vessel Kwong Fook Cheung on Saturday night as she was proceeding to Hong Kong in the West River from Kowloon.

The Hong Kong-Kowloon motorship was machine-gunned from the Wang Shing Kong hill, 13 miles from Pak Kai, which is at the mouth of the West River, and from junks, which formed a barrier across the channel.

A bullet pierced through the vessel, leaving a series of holes in its wake, first, injuring Mrs. Ivy K. Morris, wife of Mr. W. J. Morris, of the Works Department, Hong Kong Land Investment Company, then killing Mr. Lau Chung-cham, popular local basketball referee.

"A bullet pierced through the vessel, leaving a series of holes in its wake. According to its line of direction and the positions of the two victims, it is very possible that one bullet was instrumental in killing Mr. Lau and wounding Mrs. Morris," he declared.

Mr. Morris was taking a round-trip holiday journey.

A waiter said he was at the stern when the firing began. The passengers were ordered to lie down and the lights were switched off. They were extraordinarily calm and behaved coolly throughout the ordeal. Several bullets were found lodged in passengers' luggage, in the hold.

The British vessel called at the Chinese Maritime Customs Wang Num Station, where they left a cable for the Mr. Lung Men, another river craft on the same run to be wireless back to Hong Kong to prepare for receiving the wounded passenger.

"But on our arrival here he disappeared without a word. However, through the press I wish to express our heartfelt thanks to him for his unselfish efforts," he added.

Shot Through Heart

Mr. Lau who was travelling with his two sons, was lying in his cabin when he heard the shots, according to a passenger. He was shot clean through the heart and died five minutes later. He was popular in local basketball circles. He had been referred to many local tournaments.

The shipping company declared that he had not received any intimating letters prior to the attack. "This was the first incident of its kind," an official remarked.

"I have one little thing to mention," the Chief Officer said. "There were four Chinese Navy gunboats lying idly at Pak Kai. They should be busy patrolling the West River especially after the Miss Orient Incident," he asserted.

The local police, meanwhile, is conducting an investigation.

The Kwong Fook Cheung, which left Kowloon last night, reached Hong Kong, where it was to be met by a large crowd.

"When it was realised that it was a piracy attempt, our guards returned fire.

"Ahead about 100 yards were four tug boats linked together by small junks, blocking the narrow channel.

"As we approached, a hail of bullets rained on us from the craft, which were all packed with black-dressed men.

"The Kwong Fook Cheung was then travelling at about nine knots, and we rammed the barrier at top speed," Mr. Griswold related.

The firing stopped as soon as the motorship cleared; approximately 10 minutes after the shooting.

"Though we could not see what had happened, we could guess from the desperate circumstances on our ship broke through," he remarked.

Wounded In Abdomen

Mrs. Morris, who was taking shelter in the first-class passenger cabin, was seriously wounded in the abdomen. She had been shot in the abdomen, an officer said.

"In the light of the present serious position in Malaya and strong Communist pressure in Northern Siam and Indo-China, the British Cabinet has agreed to the immediate introduction of a defence plan," the "Sunday Times" correspondent in Singapore, Mr. J. H. Horrocks, continued.

—Reuter.

Defence Plan For Malaya

London, April 17.

Singapore message in today's Conservative "Sunday Times" said that British troops may be protecting Malaya and Singapore for another 10 years.

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Nanking-Canton Train Service

Shanghai, April 17. Train service between Nanking and Canton — ultimately, it is hoped, to Hong Kong — is to start next week. The trip to Canton will take six days, with stopovers at Shanghai, Hangchow, Nanchang and a few other cities.

The train will include first, second and third classes, with sleepers for first class passengers. The first prices quoted for tickets were: GY2800,000 (about US\$7), for first class, GY400,000 for second class and GY200,000 for third class. — Associated Press.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and no means necessarily agrees with them.

Corruption Charges

Sir, — It would seem that your correspondent "Doo Mo Loo" has rushed into print without carefully reading and digesting my letter which appeared in the "China Mail" on Friday last.

For his benefit, I would quote hereunder an extract from the letter which speaks for itself:

"Before coming to any decision as to whether or not I will accept the challenge of "Doo Mo Loo", I would like to know whether he would, after revealing his identity, be prepared to accompany me to China proper and there make the same accusations against the Chinese as he has made through your columns."

As to the last paragraph of "Doo Mo Loo's" letter, may I ask by what authority he demands that I either accept his challenge or ever hold my peace?

In passing, it would also be interesting to know if "Doo Mo Loo" could see his way to explain why there should be an "Anti-Corruption Department" in the local Police Force, the activities of which Department are not directed to corruption in private enterprise, if there is no corruption in local Government Departments, as "Doo Mo Loo" would have your readers believe, then the maintenance of this "Anti-Corruption Department" at public expense is sheer waste of money.

SIMPLE SIMON.

The 3,073-ton aluminium super-structured river craft is one of three "floating fortunes" being constructed at Quebec City for the Ming Sang Industrial Company of Shanghai. Her sister ship, the Yu Men, arrived here last month after making the 12,000-mile trip.

Mr. Detamore told the audience that the Church's evangelical movement had been very successful during its year in Shanghai, where a similar building was erected. Mr. Detamore and Mr. Meissner intend to spend about three months in Hong Kong before proceeding to Singapore, Borneo and Siam.

At last night's service Mr. Meissner sang several hymns in his excellent baritone voice and rendered a number of selections on the violin. Besides being an ordained minister, he is quite a painter. Mr. Detamore told the audience that he had painted the mural in the background.

Mr. Detamore apologized for any disappointment occasioned the audience by the absence of the advertised Hammond organ. He explained that it had been completely wrecked in shipment.

At the end of the Auditorium

is a large platform with an enormous mural done in oils as the backdrop. The foci of attention in this symbolic mural were three crosses, rising on a hill in the centre of the picture.

In front of the mural on the

brilliantly lit stage stood a choir of some 60 people, both men and women. They wore black gowns with white surplices. The choir were accompanied by a piano, a marimba, a vibraphone and violin.

The building appears quite substantial and, in spite of the fact that it was erected so quickly, could not be torn down very readily. It is solidly built with white-washed brick walls, a number of windows and three doors on each side designed by red and white electric "exit" signs. It is lit by modernistic indirect lighting. The seats are foldable wooden chairs.

The audience listened attentively to a sermon by Mr. Detamore on the question "Beyond Tomorrow What Is Coming?"

He told the audience that they would find the answers in the Bible.

During the coming week the

Bible Auditorium will be the

scene of lectures, and large audiences are anticipated. On

Wednesday the lectures will an-

swer the question "Who Is God?"

and on Thursday they will an-

swer the question "Where Did

We Get Our Bible?" On Friday

they will present seven remark-

able prophecies and on next

Sunday evening at two identical

services held at 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

they will discuss "The Atomic

Bomb and World Peace". A half

hour musical will precede each of

these programmes.

— C. H. G.

Shanghai, April 17.

The Nationalist Government at

Nanking is considering an applica-

tion by the China-National Aviation

Corporation to resume its

Shanghai-Manila air service ac-

cording to unconfirmed reports

here today.

This service was discontinued

late last year when China forced

to throw open the Fukienese port

of Amoy as a stopping point for

airlines aircraft to and from

Shanghai although C.N.A.C. planes

had made it a regular calling

place in their flights to and from

Manila. — Reuter.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE

Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

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Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Room at \$10 each day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all costs etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office and the Secretary's office will close at 10 a.m. each day.

Both Offices at 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1 each day including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie, Tea men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the premises of The Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Servants' passes will be issued to servants for holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination, and to enclose their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employer's blinds.

BY ORDER

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PORPSMOUTH NEARER LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

London, April 16.

Splendid teamwork, which has been the feature of Portsmouth's success this season, today carried them a step nearer towards winning the League Championship.

They trounced the F.A. Cup finalists, Wolverhampton by five goals to nothing before a capacity home crowd. As Newcastle, their only rivals, could only draw at home with Bolton, the Hampshire club increased their lead to four points with a match in hand.

Goals by Phillips, Clarke and Reid placed Portsmouth in a happy position at the interval and afterwards Reid and Clarke added further goals, and so helped to preserve the leaders' unbeaten home record.

Wolverhampton's supporters however, were not unduly shocked by the result as the team was without the services of Wright, Muller, Pyc, Shorthouse and Smith, all on the injured list.

From the outset the organised Wolves side proved no match for their eager opponents, whose forwards in particular revelled in the free play.

Newcastle, who now have only four more League matches to play, were expected to register an early win over Bolton, but while their displaced clever touches it was Bolton who scored first through Mow. The United made great efforts after the interval and eventually a splendid run by Stephan enabled the centre forward, Chilean-born Roleda, to equalise.

In the struggle to avoid relegation Middlesbrough's defeat on their own ground by Liverpool was a heavy blow, as Preston, North End and Sheffield United, two other clubs in the danger zone, both won.

Score Twice

Preston met Huddersfield, another lowly placed club, and after a goalless first half scored twice through Langton (penalty) and Leatie. Sheffield, 1-0 success at Stoke was even more instructive, although the goal was the result of a defensive slip. Stoke were without their England centre half, Franklin, who was ill.

The surprise result in Division II was the failure of Southampton at Bury. The leaders, though able to field the team which won at Grimsby on Friday were barely able to produce championship form. Their goal, Black, was constantly tested before Bodle got the winner in the second half.

This reverse enabled Fulham and West Bromwich to strengthen their challenge. Fulham gained a clear-cut victory at Leicester, where the Cup finalists were forced to field several reserves. The Albion, benefitting from the rest on Friday, overwhelmed Bradford 7-1. Welsh, their Irish international centre forward scored four goals, one from the penalty spot.

As a result of these matches Fulham are within three points of Southampton, who have played one more game, while West Bromwich, with a point less than Fulham, have three games in hand over the leaders. The placings at the foot of the table remain the same, since in addition to Leicester, Lincoln City and Nottingham, Forest were beaten.

Leicester, having lost four of their last five League games are now in the peculiar position of being possible Cup winners and also spending next season in the Third Division.

Transformation

Ten minutes from time at Swansea, the Third Division South leaders were trailing 0-1 to lowly Aldershot and then came the transformation. First McGroarty levelled with a penalty and five minutes later Driscoll headed the all-important goal for victory. The Welsh club need only three more points from the remaining five matches to make certain of promotion.

Jensen, the Danish forward, who has played a big part in the rise of Hull City, scored two of his club's five goals against Crewe. Hull lead the Northern section with a superior goal average to Rotherham, who have the same number of points, but have played two matches more than their rivals.

The sunnier weather again attracted large crowds and more than a million people packed the stands and sun-drenched terraces at the English League matches.

In Scotland, championship and relegation problems are still a long way from being solved. Division "A" leaders, Rangers and Dundee, found Aberdeen and Morton desperate for points and playing accordingly.

In a spirited game watched by 50,000, Aberdeen, who had not previously scored in all their Glasgow visits this season, led Rangers by a Hether goal at the interval, but Duncanson later saved a point for the leaders.

Dundee twice took the lead against Morton, who fought back to earn a point. Dundee, who have a match in hand, are a point behind Rangers.—Reuter.

The YMCA Hockey team, to meet the Royal Navy tomorrow at 6.45 p.m. on the RANFC pitch at King's Park will be:

Gorby, Smith, Cayton, D. Mills, Gibbons, Robertson, A. Higgins, Blenkinsop, Boycott, Jacques, Slater.

HOME FOOTBALL LEAGUE TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Portsmouth	37	23	8	6	32	32	53
Newcastle	38	20	10	8	61	53	50
Manchester C.	38	16	13	9	45	45	47
Manchester U.	31	16	10	8	62	34	44
Derby	37	17	8	11	57	52	43
Everton	38	15	11	12	61	55	41
Wolverhampton	35	15	11	11	68	57	41
Stoke	35	18	8	17	58	59	39
Bolton	37	22	12	4	42	45	39
Blackpool	37	14	11	13	59	60	34
Everton	37	13	11	11	56	57	33
Leicester	35	15	12	13	52	55	33
City	37	12	7	10	51	54	31
Nottingham	37	13	11	13	54	54	31
Bolton	37	13	11	13	53	54	31
Chelsea	37	11	11	13	53	53	31
Everton	36	11	8	17	53	62	29
Sheffield D.	37	19	9	18	38	31	29
Huddersfield	37	19	8	18	37	31	27
Stoke	36	9	8	18	37	31	27

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Southampton	35	23	7	8	68	52	53
Bolton	36	22	8	7	65	56	52
Sheffield W.	36	21	7	8	62	45	51
Sheffield U.	37	18	7	11	51	49	41
Leicester	37	16	11	10	55	45	41
Sheffield W.	37	16	11	10	55	45	41
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Yearly Meeting of Shareholders
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the Undersigned on Wednesday,
the 20th April, 1949 at Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the
report of the General Agents
together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ended the
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The Share Register and
Transfer Books will be closed
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held at the Company's Office,
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Floor, Hongkong, on Thursday,
5th May, 1949 at 11 a.m. for
the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors to-
gether with Statement of Ac-
counts for the year ended
31st December, 1948, to sanction
the declaration of a
Dividend and to re-elect
Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
Thursday, 21st April to Thurs-
day 5th May, both days in-
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By Order of the Board of
Directors.

A. A. BREMNER,
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Hong Kong, April 12, 1949.

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yielded two scattered singles, while losing
hurler Josie Ribeiro who started for the Local
side was nicked for four solid safeties before
mentor Charlie Figueiroto waved him off the
slab in favour of Joey Franco.

In the fourth inning Junior Remedios of the Braves,
sprained a finger in an attempt to tag Bob Renton on a close
play at second base. Remedios was taken out of the game
after his finger was put right by Bone-setter Molten, but
not before he had given a good account of himself at the
windy-alley where he handled four difficult fielding chances
without an error.

Russ McKay and Geo Milne returned the best performances
at the plate with two in four each, but it was Bob Connor who drew
the thunder with a homer to deep right that chased in team-mate
Harry Green for an early lead. In Bob Connor's fourth turn with the
hickory, centre-gardener Rennie Sequiera robbed the slugs of
another big blow, when the lanky Ablong reached high into the
skies to freeze the apple.

Gusse Pereira of VRC played a good game at third base where
he handled all the hot smashes and turned them into put-outs.
The Crescent pulled off the only twin-killing of the game
when Mel Gardiner snared Blimby "Low-pockets" Ablong's line
drive over second base. Gardiner relayed the ball to first-sacker
Harry Green and Lionel Sequiera was doubled off base.

Time by Innings: Runs by Innings:

HMCS "Crescent" 5-4
Locals 5-4

HMCS "Crescent" 5-4

Holiday-Making Britons Swelter In Hot April Weather; Beaches Crowded

Holiday-making Britons sweltered—or swam—today in the hottest April weather on record.

Status For Indonesia Federalists

Batavia, April 16. The Indonesian Federalist leaders, after several weeks of discussions, today adopted a Committee report defining their status in the interim period before the formation of the proposed United States of Indonesia.

The Federalists declared that they look forward to the formation of a sovereign independent United States of Indonesia, which will be linked in an equal union with Holland.

They recognized the equal rights of member States and confirmed the status of the States already formed. They further recognized Dutch sovereignty in the interim period.

The Federalists decided that they wished to participate in the present Dutch and Republican discussions, under the auspices of the United Nations Commission for Indonesia, insofar as they affected the formation of the future United States of Indonesia and the Netherlands-Indonesian Union. But they did not wish to participate in discussions affecting either Holland and the Republic unless they were invited to do so by both the parties.—Reuter.

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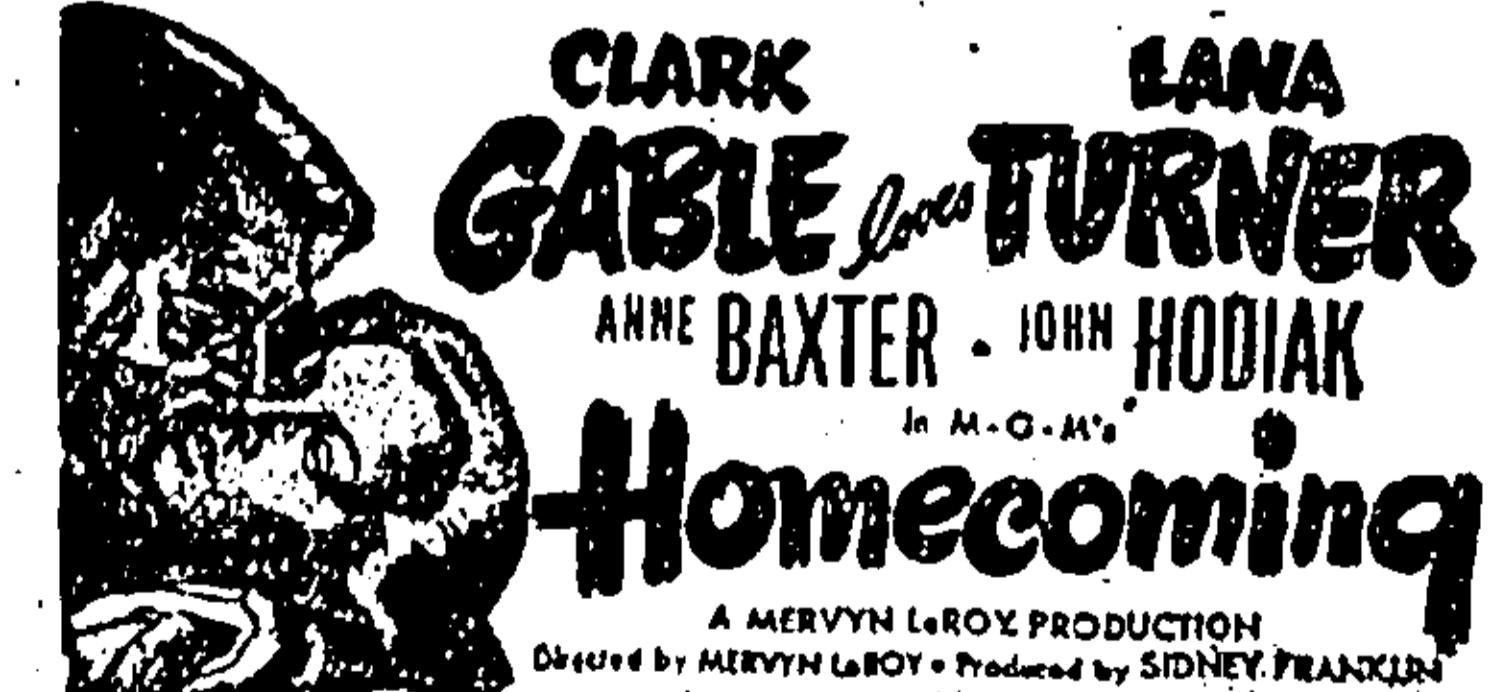
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7.58 a.m.—Programme Summary.

8.00 a.m.—World News and News from Britain (London Relay).

8.15 a.m.—"Morning Melody."

8.30 a.m.—Eric Winslow and His Orchestra with Julie Dawn and Denis Hale. (BBCRS).

10.00 a.m.—"Muse in Miniature." A Programme of Continuous Music.

10.30 a.m.—"Sylvie with 'Wheat'." (BBCRS).

11.00 a.m.—"George Melachrino and His Orchestra with Paula Green and Wilfred Barnes. (OBRS).

11.30 a.m.—Roy Rogers and the Sons of the Pioneers.

11.45 a.m.—"Come into the Parlour... Music and Songs from Northern Ireland." (BBCRS).

12.00 a.m.—"Music in the Atlantic." (BBCRS).

1.00 a.m.—"Music in Canada." (BBCRS).

1.15 a.m.—"Field & Stream." (OBRS).

1.30 a.m.—"Music from the British Isles." (BBCRS).

1.45 a.m.—"Music from the British Isles." (BBCRS).

2.00 a.m.—"Music in the Parlour... Music and Songs from Northern Ireland." (BBCRS).

2.15 a.m.—"The End of the Term." A Mystery Play by William Barlow (BBCRS).

3.40 a.m.—Albert Sandler and His Orchestra and Jenny Robson (Guest Artist).

4.00 a.m.—World News and Home News from Britain (London Relay).

4.15 a.m.—"Wee Swing Time."

4.45 a.m.—"Mollers of Popular Musical Shows." Cole Porter, Jerome Kern and George Gershwin.

5.15 a.m.—"Grieg: Peer Gynt Suite, No. 2, Op. 45." New Light Symphony Orchestra.

6.30 a.m.—"Billboard and Sullivan." (BBCRS). Broadcast under the Direction of Robert D'Oyley Carter.

7.00 a.m.—"Hospital Request Half Hour." Presented by Joan Austin. (Studio).

7.30 a.m.—"Portuguese Half Hour." (Studio).

8.00 a.m.—"World News and News Analysis." (London Relay) by Ross Attwells, (Studio).

8.15 a.m.—"Like What I Like." Presented by R.C. Barnes. (Studio).

9.00 a.m.—"From the Editorials." (London Relay).

9.15 a.m.—"Concerto." Concerto No. 6 "The Emperor" in E Flat Major, Op. 73. Walter Gieseking (Piano) with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

9.30 a.m.—"Excerpts from the Garrison Players Production of Agatha Christie's "Ten Little Niggers." (Studio).

10.20 a.m.—"Music for Dancing with Bing Crosby as Guest Artist.

11.00 a.m.—"Radio News Bed." (London Relay).

11.15 a.m.—"Jazz Octet." (BBCRS).

11.30 a.m.—"Weather Report and Close Down."

London, April 16.

Europe as a whole sweltered, too. The shade temperature in London shot up to 83 degrees Fahrenheit, 10 degrees higher than yesterday's figure, and in most other parts of the country it was almost as hot. Temperatures in some countries on the Continent rose to record heights.

Relaxing in town or country, crowding beaches and promenades at seaside resorts or packing football grounds and other sports arenas, millions of Britons enjoyed the second sunny day of the Easter holiday.

The Air Ministry guardedly forecast continued fine weather for the rest of the four-day vacation period but hinted that thunderstorms might not be far off.

All round the coasts, resorts reported that the "summer in April" set records for Easter sunshines and crowds.

But at Blackpool, the popular Lancashire resort, rain sent thousands rushing for indoor entertainments.

Sport provided these hot spots: A player in a Rugby Union match between London Scottish and West of Scotland at Richmond, Surrey, left the field suffering from sunstroke and went to hospital with a temperature said to be 103 degrees.

During a field hockey festival at Folkestone, Kent, glasses of beer were placed along the side of the pitch for players who found the summery weather unsuitable for one of the fastest winter games.

At one London soccer match ambulance men dealt with fainting cases among men and women, and scores of men stripped off their collars, ties, jackets and vests and sat in their shirt-sleeves.

The sudden heat was stated by British Railways engineers to have caused "an epidemic" of buckled rails on the Southern region electric system.

More than 25,000 people were drawn to Navy Day displays at Chatham, Portsmouth and Devonport.

There was also brilliant Easter sunshine over the Continent. Reuters correspondents cabled the following reports from various widespread points:

Brussels—Belgium, with a maximum shade temperature of 92.4 degrees Fahrenheit in the shade, had the hottest Easter weather for more than 60 years.

Street hawkers who were out early with barrow loads of chocolate Easter eggs were forced to retire when the scorching sun played havoc with their wares.

Paris—Maximum shade temperature this afternoon was 86 degrees Fahrenheit with brilliant sunshine pouring from a cloudless sky. The National Weather Service forecast colder

and cloudy weather coming from the Atlantic coast.

Passenger traffic was heavy. Paris railway stations had sold 200,000 tickets by this evening, according to unofficial figures.

Frankfurt—West Germany had its warmest day this year as weather stations recorded temperatures averaging about 75 degrees Fahrenheit.

The same fine spring weather with clear blue skies will prevail for Easter Sunday, the weather men predicted.

Berliners were spending their Easter holiday in bright sunshine, with maximum temperatures of up to 68 degrees, expected during the week-end.

The city's "little Miami", Wannsee beach in the American sector, was preparing to receive as many as 50,000 sun-bathers and swimmers and picnic parties. Bathing in the lake itself will not be allowed. A ban was imposed because of a shortage of electrical power to work the pumps that clear the lake of Berlin waste water.

Rome—Easter has brought Rome brilliant, hot sunshine, a wealth of spring flowers, and armies of tourists from many countries. It was estimated tonight that at least 10,000 foreigners had arrived—the biggest influx of Easter visitors for 15 years.—Reuter.

NORWEGIAN SHIP ABANDONED

London, April 16. Lloyds agency reported here to-night that the 324-ton Norwegian fishing vessel Polarbjorn has been abandoned in flames off Bell Isle, New Brunswick.

The message was picked up from the motor vessel Illinois, which rescued the crew of the abandoned ship. The message added that the crew would be transferred to the Norwegian motor vessel Herjoford, which was homeward bound.—Reuter.

MORE MEAT FOR BELGIANS

Brussels, April 16. From Monday, Belgians can eat meat seven days a week instead of only six. A decree to be published tomorrow puts an end to the meatless days.

Two days a week were introduced when meat was brought off the Belgian ration last year, but a decree early this year lifted one of them.—Reuter.

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Christians United In Celebrating Feast Of Easter

New York, April 17. Christians throughout the world were united today in celebrating the age old story of the resurrection of Christ.

Religious services to mark Easter were planned for spectacular outdoor settings, in the ancient Cathedrals of Europe and in the tiny churches of hamlets.

Two hundred thousand persons were expected to gather in the Wichita Mountains of Oklahoma for what may be the largest outdoor Easter service in the United States.

Thousands will crowd into the centuries old Saint Peters Church in Rome, Notre Dame in Paris, and Saint Paul's in London.

Easter brought a four-day holiday to Great Britain, Czechoslovakia, Western Germany and some other countries.

Troops still guarded the way to the Holy Sepulchre in the Old City of Jerusalem. Military authorities, however, made special arrangements for Christians to cross the lines to attend an Easter Mass in the historic church.

There was more food and even a few Easter eggs in Germany. Smart women were looking forward to reviving the Easter parade in some big European cities.

Customs Revived

Traditional customs revived. The long week-end was welcomed in Britain. Scandianavians were skiing. Italian priests once again blessed individual homes and shops with Holy water. In Portugal, gifts of sugared almonds were made again.

Hundreds of foreign tourists watched "processions of silence" in cities and towns of Spain Friday night. Many barefoot Roman Catholic penitents on hands and knees followed torch-light processions through the darkened streets.

In the United States, fashion parades and Easter egg hunts with religious service. Greatest fashion parade will be down New York's Fifth Avenue this afternoon. Largest gathering of worshippers were set for American outdoor services.

Among the biggest were 75,000 at Fort Lincoln, Washington DC.

Associated Press.

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Allied Planes Break Berlin Airlift Mark

Transports Carry Some 12,900 Tons Of Cargo.

American and British planes today smashed all Berlin airlift records in a historic 24-hour performance to show Russia that her blockade has failed.

Israel May Have To Wait At UN

Lake Success, April 16. The question arose today that Israel may not be admitted into the United Nations until the regular Assembly Session in September.

The Assembly's decision to refer Israel's application to the Political Committee stemmed chiefly from the apparent desire of the majority of delegates to compel Israel to make concessions on the questions of internationalisation of Jerusalem and Arab refugees.

A report of the Palestine Conciliation Commission on the two questions is not expected until September.

Arab delegates undoubtedly will argue that Israel should not be admitted until those two questions are settled. Israel's admission requires a two-thirds majority of the Assembly vote, and those forecasting the delay of Israel's admission until September point out that more than half of the membership voted to refer the application to the Political Committee.

If this was a test vote, the vote on admission if taken at this time might be defeated.

The present session of the Assembly is expected to continue at least for another four weeks. The Political Committee, which will discuss Israel's application, also will deal with the disposition of the former Italian Colonies, the treatment of Indian residents in South Africa and the question of the Franco regime in Spain. Each subject is expected to require up to a week of discussion.

In the meantime, the ad hoc Political Committee will be dealing with the question of the Balkan religious trials. After committee have completed discussion on these questions, the full Assembly will be called upon to act on committee reports with probably further lengthy debates.

United Press.

MISS VRAZ RELEASED BY CZECHS

Prague, April 16. Miss Vlasta Adele Vraz, the Prague representative of the American Organisation of Czechoslovak Relief, was released from arrest here today. She had been held since Saturday.

The United States Embassy in Prague protested to the Foreign Ministry yesterday against the arbitrary methods used by the Czech authorities in arresting Miss Vraz. No reason was given at the time of her arrest.

M. Zdenek Fierlinger, acting Foreign Minister, informed the United States Ambassador, Mr. Joseph Jacobs, today that Miss Vraz would be released without any conditions. M. Fierlinger said that the police insisted she was implicated in espionage.

According to Western observers, Miss Vraz was released apparently for two reasons—to im-

prove relations and because of her services to Czechoslovakia.

After her release, Miss Vraz said she was not maltreated in any way and was only questioned once soon after her arrest.

Discussions On Irish Partition

Belfast, April 16.

Members of the Northern Ireland Government today denied all knowledge of the discussions on the question of Irish partition, said in a New York press report to have been mentioned by Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary.

Today's show was almost all American. British officials announced that only 272 flights were made by their aircraft. This meant that United States planes flew 1,126 missions.

In doing so, their armament, they proved combat victories could be supplied by air alone.

American and British armament to learn just how many planes could be landed here in 24 hours. The result was:

1,393 flights from West German bases to Tempelhof, Gatow and Tempel fields in Western Berlin.

12,911 tons of food, coal and machinery delivered. That is equal to 22 trains of 50 freight cars each.

At first officers disagreed the purpose of the giant effort after the last plane in the one day span landed at Tempelhof, the U.S. base.

The radar system was pushed to the absolute saturation point, a high officer said.

"There were no mishaps," he said. "It was a perfect performance."

The airlift commander chose a perfect weather period for the venture. The skies were cloudless from Berlin to the Rhine.

It was a huge Easter present for Western Berlin. The previous daily record was 8,245 tons, set April 11. Before the Russians imposed their blockade last June, about 5,000 tons of supplies moved to Berlin daily by rail from Western Germany. Considerably more, however, reached the city by road and water lanes, especially from the East.

All previous airlift performances, such as the China-India flights, were put in the shade by this job. Armies said it proved planes alone would easily supply divisions, a job largely handled in the past by trains and fleets of trucks.

The Soviet Air Force posted no notices of fighter activity in the air corridors, that three protests were lodged by the Western Allies. However, there were no incidents of any kind.

United Press and Associated Press.

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The letter, which was referred by the Imperial Household to the Japanese Foreign Office, was written on Australian comforts fund paper. Although Japanese officials refused to reveal the full contents of the letter, it was officially stated that Kitagawa has asked the Emperor to intercede on his behalf with General MacArthur.

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Australian Asks Hirohito For Help

Tokyo, April 18.

Tetsu Ichiro Utaka Kitagawa, alias Frank Loyal Weaver, in a letter to the "Divine Emperor of Japan" appealed for assistance to remain with his Japanese wife in Kure.

His letter read: "I am appealing to you for assistance in my being permitted to remain in Japan to marry a Japanese girl on my arrival in Japan.

"Weaver" is my name, enough said. I am at this moment in Sydney but within a few days I am again leaving for Japan on my fifth attempt to rejoin this girl. I do not know how I am going to return to her, all I know is that I am going to try and hope that God will intervene on my arrival and so allow me to remain and work to keep this girl and her family.

"I have written a personal letter to the Divine Emperor of Japan in Tokyo, appealing for assistance to remain this time."—Reuters.

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Dies After 223 Aspirins

Scranton, Pennsylvania, April 10.

A man admitted to the State Hospital after eating 223 aspirin tablets which he thought were salted peanuts, died last night.

Police said John Molnar, aged 48, had been drinking prior to finding a bottle of aspirin on a table in his home yesterday. He swallowed all but two out of the bottle which contained 225 tablets.—United Press.

Czechoslovakia, Hungary Sign Alliance

Prague, April 16.

Two of Russia's Eastern European allies, Czechoslovakia and Hungary, today completed a vast network of military alliances which binds all of Eastern Europe with Russia.

Czechoslovakia and Hungary signed in Budapest the 21st military treaty which forms the network of alliances between Russia and each Eastern European nation and among the Eastern European nations themselves.

The theme of statements made on the signing was that the Western imperialists are trying to restore Fascist Germany and are threatening world peace with the Atlantic pact.

Also, they said, denunciations of the West by the Soviet and Communist spokesman at the recent New York "World Peace" conference were milder in tone than those at previous similar conferences. These officials scored the past year like this:

Soviet Russia May Ease Off Cold War; Foreign Policy Fails

Washington, April 16.

United States officials today expressed the belief that Soviet Russia may be getting ready to ease off the cold war. They said the Soviet Union suffered a series of defeats in the field of foreign policy during the past year and that in the face of these setbacks a shift in Russian tactics appears likely.

Secretary of State Dean Acheson made it clear yesterday that the door was open to any genuine Soviet peace moves. A week ago Mr. Acheson said the Atlantic Pact and other moves toward strengthening the West had increased the possibilities of peace with Russia.

United States officials who specialise in Russian problems said so far there had been no direct evidence of a softer Soviet attitude. However, they said there had been numerous "indirect" indications.

The chief of these, they said, is the relatively restrained nature of the Soviet attacks on the West at the current session of the United Nations General Assembly. Despite Mr. Andrei Gromyko's speech yesterday the onslaught against the Atlantic Pact had not reached the expected violent pitch.

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The Box-Score

Western Advances—Success of the Marshall Plan and closer economic collaboration of the Benelux nations and France and Italy. Integration of the defences of Britain, France and the Benelux countries. The Atlantic Pact and its "psychological impact." The Big Three agreements on Germany clearing the way for a peaceful German State that will aid in European recovery.

Soviet Defeats—The Communist political setbacks in Italy, France, Sweden, Norway and even Finland where Russia has a stranglehold on the nation's economy. The defection and successful defiance of Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia. Failure of the Soviet blockade of Berlin to make the West come to terms. Evidences that the West's counter-blockade is hurting Poland and Czechoslovakia and that Russia herself is suffering production difficulties.

These United States officials said that while the door is open to Russian peace moves, the United States will not abandon any of its commitments to strengthen Europe. Specifically, they said, this country will not bargain away the civil rights offered the new Germany.

This means any peace agreement would be made on Western terms and not Soviet terms. Communication of Germany had been a major Soviet objective since the end of the war and expectations of a new Soviet approach has not slowed down the Western defence plans.

The Atlantic Pact Powers are giving preliminary thought to the problems involved in the setting up of defence machinery provided in the treaty. It is generally expected in Washington that an American will head the Pact's Defence Committee and that it will be set up in this country.

While the British would prefer London as the Western defence headquarters, it is being argued that Washington would be preferable because it would be here that any United States decision to take action against an aggressor would be made.—United Press.

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Jap Economic Czar Leaving For America

Tokyo, April 16.

Japan's economic Czar, Mr. Joseph M. Dodge, said today that he plans to leave for the United States towards the end of April after making a full report on his three-month survey of Japanese economic conditions to General MacArthur.

He said he did not know just yet whether he would return.

As Mr. Dodge and three other members of his mission prepared to leave the advanced representative of the next in succession of the American Mission to Japan arrived on April 10 after making a full report on his three-month survey of Japanese economic conditions to General MacArthur.

He is Dr. Jerome B. Cohen, Finance Professor at the College of the City of New York and member of the group headed by Dr. Carl S. Shoup which will overhaul Japan's existing tax system.

Dr. Shoup, President of the National Tax Association and Professor of Taxation at Columbia University, together with five other members of his group, are to leave Washington for Tokyo in May.

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PAKISTAN TROOPS OPEN FIRE

New Delhi, April 16.

Press reports from the disputed Kashmir area said today that the Pakistan troops opened fire on Indian soldiers near the mountain village of Seri two days ago.

The dispatches said the Indian troops did not return fire in accord with the cease-fire agreement by the two neighbouring Dominions early this year.—United Press.

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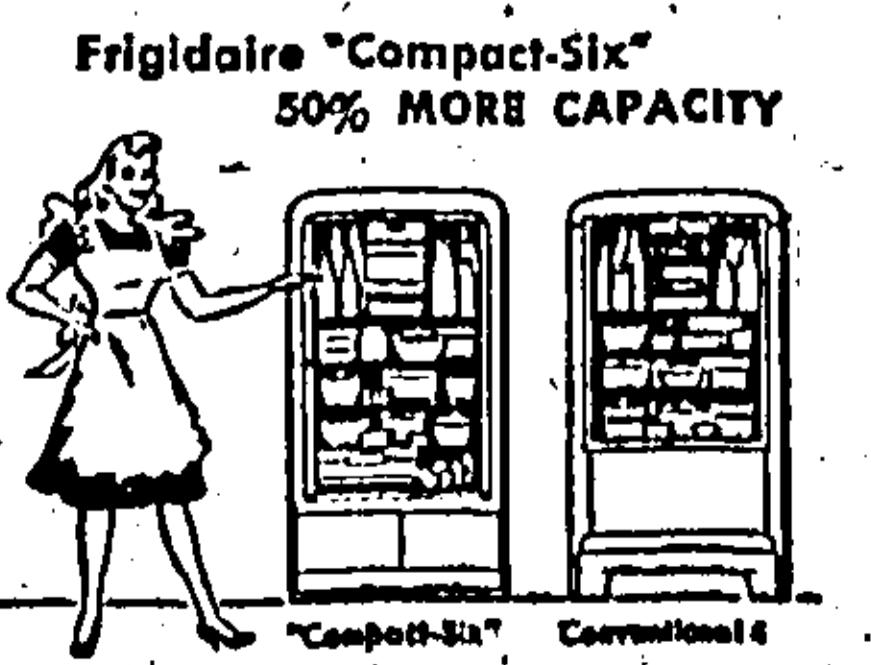


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Soviet Complaints Should Be Lodged With The UN, Iranian Embassy Declares

Washington, April 16. An Iran Embassy spokesman said here today that if the Soviet Union had any complaints against Iran or about the presence of a United States Military Mission in Iran, they should take them to the United Nations in accordance with the United Nations Charter.

He said that it was the opinion of the Iranian Government that the provisions of the 1921 Soviet-Iranian Treaty for the entry, under certain circumstances, of Soviet troops into Iran have been superseded by the United Nations Charter arrangements for dealing with threats to peace and security.

Italy's New Land Plan Explained

Rome, April 16. The Italian Prime Minister, Mr. Alcide de Gasperi, told Reuter tonight that his Government hopes to break up large estates and distribute at least 3,000,000 acres among landworkers.

Mr. de Gasperi, who was explaining his land reform scheme to be presented to the Cabinet shortly, said, "Our reform plan aims at turning land-workers and small farmers or sharecroppers who have no land into small-holders owning their own land. Where this is not practicable we hope to give them a share in the administration of large farms."

"This will mean that landowners with large or moderately large agricultural estates will have to cede a part of their land to an organisation for land reform and colonisation created by the State," the Prime Minister continued.

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Secondly, a conference the following Monday between Western Military Governors and a delegation from the Parliamentary Council at Bonn.

The Parliamentary Council has laboured nearly eight months to draft a Constitution. Now it is deadlocked.

The SPD and the Conservative Christian Democrats (CDU) are tied in a knot over whether the Constitution should provide a strong centralised government or a states rights administration.

The SPD demands a strong central government. The CDU favours more power for the states. The Military Governors have recommended financial and taxation powers be left to the states. The SPD has refused to go along.

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It was thus superseded because of Article 103 of that Charter, which states that "in the event of a conflict between the obligations of the members of the United Nations under the present Charter and their obligations under any other international agreement, their obligations under the present Charter shall prevail."

Article 6 of the Russian-Iranian Treaty had stated that, if a third party should desire to use Iranian territory as a base of operations against Russia or threaten the frontiers of Federal Russia, and if the present Government should not be able to put a stop to such a menace after having been called on to do so by Russia, Russia should have the right to advance troops into Iran.

The Embassy spokesman made this statement to Reuter when asked to comment on reports from Teheran of exchanges between the Soviet and Iranian Governments regarding the presence of a small United States Military Mission in Iran and Iranian objections to continued Soviet pressure against Iran.

The spokesman emphasised, however, that contrary to press reports published here, the Embassy had not received any reports of these recent Soviet-Iranian exchanges. He said that he was merely explaining the view of the Iranian Government generally on the subject.

Reuter reported from Teheran tonight that a New York newspaper report that Russia was threatening to invoke the 1921 Soviet-Iranian Treaty because there is an American Military Mission there was officially denied in the Iranian capital to-night.—Reuter.

In his two months of power, Dr. Lopez has held off all attempts to force him from office. One of his most astute pre-election moves was to release more than 300 political prisoners from the notorious Asuncion Jail, where they had been held since the 1947 civil war.

But in spite of the comparative success of his regime so far, no leader here is willing to predict the outcome of tomorrow's election. Few consider that Dr. Lopez, if re-elected, will remain in office for the constitutional term of five years.—Reuter.

Independent Labourites Meet

Blackpool, April 16. The Independent Labourites Party, a small left wing pacifist group, today declared its unalterable opposition to the capitalist imperialism of the Western powers and the totalitarianism of the Stalinist regime.

The 37th Annual Conference of the party, the remnants of a Socialist group from which the present Labour (Government) Party grew and broke away, declared here that the age of nationalist wars had given way to a super-imperialist struggle for world domination between the United States and the Soviet Union.—Reuter.



A little girl kneels to pay homage to Pope Pius XII as other Roman children wait in line to make gifts to him in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of his entry into the priesthood. The ceremony was held in the Belvedere Courtyard of Vatican City, when 50,000 Roman children gathered in homage to the Holy Father.—AP Photo.

Paraguay Goes To The Polls In Dull Election

Vatican On A Just War

Vatican City, April 16. The Vatican's semi-official Observatory Romano today declared that, even if a "just war" broke out, the Church would not tolerate it because of the injustices that would result from the use of present war weapons.

A war against Russia now, even if she were defeated, would not mean the disappearance of Communism, the newspaper said.—Reuter.

U.S. Considers Rocket Range, Paper States

Sydney, April 16. The Sunday Herald today stated that the United States Army Department had requested Congress for authority to lease or arrange for the use of a "foreign" 3,000-mile rocket-firing range.

The newspaper's staff correspondent in Washington reported that it was believed that the United States authorities were giving careful consideration to the Woomera rocket range in Central Australia.

The request to Congress was believed to have resulted from the present Washington visit of Sir Frederick Shredder, the Secretary of the Australian Defence Department, the report added.

The United States Senate passed on April 11 last a Bill authorising the Air Force to set up a 3,000-mile testing range for guided missiles at a top cost of \$75 million. Neither the Bill nor the Senate Armed Services Committee report on it stated where the range would be located. The Bill had already been passed by the House of Representatives.

A Defence Department spokesman said on March 21 last that the United States military authorities had given some study to the possibility of using Australia's 3,000-mile rocket range as its future guided missile test centre.—Reuter.

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STATE DEPARTMENT SOFT TO COMMUNIST CHINA, U.S. SENATOR ALLEGES

Reno, Nov. 16.

Senator Pat McCarran today accused Secretary of State Dean Acheson of giving the Senate misleading and false information on American aid to China, and said the Department's Division of Far Eastern Affairs had been definitely soft to Communist China.

Senator McCarran said: "The letter of Secretary Acheson addressed to Senator Tom Connally, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, opposing my proposal to aid Nationalist China in its fight against Communism, is both inaccurate and misleading."

"I cannot explain it, but the Department's Division of Far Eastern Affairs is definitely soft to Communist China. Senator Bridges is entirely right in charging that Acheson had committed a thoughtless, tactless, unfriendly and damaging act against Nationalist China."

"When our own State Department peddles the Communists' propaganda line, as in the case of the Department's assertion the Mao Tse-tung is not a real Communist, it is time something is done about it."

"I had been permitted to see Secretary Acheson's letter, but had not commented on it or answered it because I had understood the letter was confidential to the Foreign Relations Committee. I don't know how Senator Theodore Green got the copy of Secretary Acheson's letter which he released. Since the letter has now been made public, I feel free to point out some of the Secretary's errors."

"The real facts about useable American military aid to China since VJ Day are altogether contrary to the figures and the glib implications employed so carelessly in the brusque reply of Secretary Acheson to my bill for additional military and economic aid to China."

Not The Truth

"In his letter to the Foreign Relations Committee, Secretary Acheson states simply that American aid to China since VJ Day has totaled "more than \$2,000,000." The clear implication is left that this sum largely re-

presents military aid, but nothing could be further from the truth. A realistic analysis shows that post-VJ Day effective military aid has totaled only \$119,000, not the \$2,000,000,000 implied in the Secretary's letter.

"My proposal to aid the Nationalist Government was not based on any desire to do something for China. But based on the urgent necessity of taking positive action against Communism in Asia for the sake of our own enlightened self-interest. If Communism takes China completely, Communism will take all of Asia."

"Even little Belgium is such respects was credited with \$100,000,000. It is almost impossible to understand how our States Department can go all out for aid to Europe in its fight against Communism and at the same time vigorously oppose even the suggestion of aid to fight the rising tide of communism in Asia."

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"If Japan is denied access to markets and food supplies of China, this nation will be forced to give up its position in Japan not for military reasons but because we can neither feed 85,000,000 Japanese nor provide a market for Japanese industrial production."

"If the United States moves out of Japan, the Japanese will have no choice but to embrace Communism or starve. She will not choose to starve and with Japan under Communistic domination, the next step will be the Philippines."

"If we continue to sit idly by while these events take place, we shall have forfeited our world leadership for peace and democracy. All our gigantic efforts to rehabilitate Western Europe as a bulwark against Communism will have been largely to no avail."

"Overall military aid since VJ Day, effective or otherwise, adds up to only \$235,000,000.

"Of this, shipments under the \$125,000,000 military aid voted to China more than a year ago did not arrive in time to be of help in the major Communist campaigns which resulted in the situation existing today. Congress voted this \$125,000,000 for China military aid on April 3, 1948. The first shipments in this category did not leave the United States until October, 1948.

"The State Department figures show the total of lend-lease aid to China since VJ Day at \$77,036,000. Of this, even the Department itemizes \$337,737,000 as 'services' for the reoccupation and Japanese reparation. That leaves \$439,000,000 in post-VJ Day lend lease on the Department's own figures."

"A careful check of Chinese military inventories shows clearly why the figures on useable military aid was reduced by them to \$119,000,000. The Department's figures included, for example, such items as 500,000 gas masks at eight dollars each—obviously of no value in fighting the Communists."

Misleading

"Other items listed as 'military aid' in the Department's figures include large quantities of U.S. military tools and American uniforms, which could not be used by the Chinese. There are other misleading categories."

"The Department lists post-VJ Day tanks and vehicles given to China under lend lease as totaling \$95,986,000. Actually, China received 160 light tanks—roughly about \$5,000,000 worth. Only 40,000,000 rounds of desperately needed small arms ammunition were included in post-VJ Day lend lease categories."

"The letter which Secretary Acheson addressed to Senator Connally on March 14 presented the same misleading and hence fundamentally false picture, as that given by the Department of State in figures submitted to the House Foreign Affairs Committee in February, 1948.

"At that time, the State Department depicted total aid to China as of that date at \$2,000,000,000. In this huge total, \$600,000,000 consisted of lend lease 'service' categories. This sum is almost exactly equal to the total amount for services charged all the rest of the world on lend lease."

"In this total too was included \$202,000,000 of Export-Import Bank credits—of which \$132,000,000 has been repaid and \$60,000,000 was never used."

"It should be noted that the Chinese have never defaulted on payment due under these credits. The \$600,000,000 Congressional credit to China was included. The ultimate recovery of this loan may not be predicted to be sure but it would seem that the loan might well be separated from items from which no recovery is expected. In those early 1948 figures there appeared no credits at all for reverse lend-lease, although an enormous amount of labour was expended on facilities for U.S. troops."

Urgent Necessity

"Formal lend-lease reports incidentally only credit China with \$9,000,000 of reverse lend-lease."



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Sisters of King Farouk, Princess Faiza and Princess Fawzia (saluting) ride around the exhibition grounds during their recent visit to Egypt's miniature "World's Fair" at Cairo, sponsored by the Royal Agricultural Society of Egypt.—AP Photo.

To Study Pact's Effects

Washington, April 16.
Official disclosed today that the National Security Resources Board is trying to determine the effect of the Atlantic Pact on American economy.

Experts of the Board are making the study at President Truman's request. He wants to make sure the United States is able to provide the manpower and materials to meet the contemplated arms to Europe to supplement the 12-nation agreement.

The Resources Board, working under the acting chairmanship of Presidential Assistant John R. Steelman, is not concerning itself with the proposed programme's dollar effect on the economy. It is surveying the metal industries, the labour market and the nation's transportation network among other things to make sure that the pact will not put too great a strain on United States industrial economy.

Adjustments
It finds the steel industry, for instance, cannot provide the necessary steel products to carry out the arms programme completely without seriously curtailing the domestic supply. The Board will recommend to President Truman that he take steps to adjust either domestic or foreign demand or both.

The Board's recommendations are secret and will remain so unless brought out before some Congressional Committee.

The Board is continuing its work on war necessities. It is the Board's job to tell President Truman how much of any given material would be needed to wage war and to recommend how that material should be obtained.

Then, too, the Board has the job of seeing how the government can get everything it needs without crippling the domestic supply. As an elementary example they are determining the amount of gasoline needed to supply war planes and where to get that much fuel. But they must also find enough gasoline to allow a war worker to drive to his factory to make planes.

The same example can be applied to the multitude of materials and commodities needed in war.

UP IN THE AIR FOR A MONTH

Fullerton, California, April 16.
Two Southern California flyers, Dick Riedel and Bill Barris, shattered the world's endurance flight record of 726 hours at 0144 GMT on Friday.

For an entire month, the pilots have been airborne in a small cabin plane, "Sunkist Lady," breaking the record for continuous time aloft set 10 years ago.

At the moment Barris and Riedel passed the old mark, the crowd of about 2,000 spectators at Fullerton Airport broke into a cheer. The Sunkist Lady swooped to within 20 feet of the ground and the two flyers, grinning broadly, waved to the crowd.

They chorused: "It's great to be over the hump. Now we can relax and just keep on flying."

Mechanical troubles and the formation of ice had ended four earlier efforts by the new marathon flyers to break the record.

Earlier in the day, the holders of the old record, Wes Carroll and Clyde Schilperoof of Long Beach, rode in a refuelling jeep at nearby Santa Ana Airport and

wished Riedel and Barris the best of luck. The two flyers estimated they had flown 60,000 miles since they took off from here on March 15. Their next goal is to stay in the air until April 20, to complete 42 days or 1,000 hours.

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GOP May Force Discussion Of Atlantic Pact

Washington, April 10.
Senator Robert Taft, head of the
Republican Senate Policy Committee, declared today that the
Republicans in the Senate will force a full discussion of the
North Atlantic Security Pact.

His statement was made in reply to an article in a weekly pamphlet, the Democratic Party, by the Democratic National Chairman, Senator McGrath, that the Republicans may be planning to use the debate on the treaty as a legislative roadblock against the other measures on President Truman's programme.

Senator Taft said the Adminis-
tration had better get ready for
plenty of discussion on the se-
curity pact.

He stated: "I think there is a
public demand for a full and
comprehensive discussion of the
pact and all the problems which
arise out of it, including the is-
sue of furnishing arms to the
signatory nations."—Reuter.

Bandits Kill
Briton Near
Moulmein

Rangoon, April 17.
Bandits armed with automatic
weapons murdered British-born
Harry Hill, 25-year-old manager
of the Chauk Kadu Rubber
Estate near Moulmein, according
to reports reaching Rangoon.

An estate supervisor who went
to Hill's assistance was also re-
ported killed.

The bandits were apparently
seeking the payroll, amounting to
about £15,000. The money was
in a safe, the key of which the
bandits could not find.

Mr. Hill was formerly a rubber
planter in Manila. The Japanese
captured him and forced him to
work on the Burma-Siam death
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the war.—Associated Press.

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Frankfurt, April 16.
Russia is systematically crippling the armies of
Eastern Europe and may dismember them as
fighting units, in huge war games being
planned for this summer in the Ukraine. This
is according to Colonel Emil Busina, former
Czech military attaché in Berlin.

Colonel Busina, who left his Berlin post this week
and offered his services to the West, said the
Kremlin distrusts its satellite armies because
their officers are considered anti-Soviet and
anti-Communist.

He said his observations as
military attaché made it clear the
Russians have scuttled any idea of
using Eastern European armies as
front-line troops, but would
use them instead only for policing
duties behind the front and for
labour corps.

Machine Knocks
Dust Parts
Out Of The Air

San Francisco, April 17.
A sound wave machine which
knocks dust particles out of the
air and is big enough to handle
the smoke and fume output of
a factory was reported to the
American Chemical Society.

Other such machines have been
made before, but were not large
enough to purify more than a
few cubic feet of air at a time.
The new instrument was an-
nounced by Mr. Harold W. Dan-
ser and Mr. F. P. Neumann of
the Ultrasonic Corporation, Cam-
bridge, Massachusetts. It is rated as
being able to handle 10,000 to
25,000 cubic feet a minute.

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ably would take place this
summer after big manoeuvres in
the Ukraine, in which all satel-
lite armies except the Yugo-
slavs have been ordered to par-
ticipate.

Busina, who served with the
RAF during the war, said this
plan already has been made
known to the high commands of
several satellite armies. He
added it was also recently dis-
cussed by Soviet Colonel Strel-
nikov, who told the Soviet Military
Administration in Berlin that purges in the Eastern Euro-
pean armies had been "far from
adequate."

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The machine is particularly
good at clumping extremely small
particles, even those as small as
a millionth of an inch in dia-
meter, Mr. Danser said.—Asso-
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Things I can't explain. Are "messages from
the dead" actually a form of mental tele-
pathy? J. B. Rhine, author of *The Reach
of the Mind*, tells of eerie experiences
(such as "seeing" the death of a relative
far away)... and how these experiences
fit into Duke University's revealing explora-
tions into psychic powers.

IN THE JUNGLE A HUGE VOICE
BOOMS AT THEM COMING FROM
ALL SIDES—THERE IS A MIGHTY
CRACK

MANDRAKE, WHAT ON
EARTH? WHERE
COME FROM?
YOU HAVE NAMED THE
UNNAMEABLE. NOW YOU DIE!
LOOK OUT!

UNNAMEABLE. NOW YOU DIE!
LOOK OUT!

RUN FOR YOUR LIVES!
AS FAST AS YOU CAN!

AND A TOWERING
FOREST GIANT TOPPLES
TOWARD THEM!

CONTINUED

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

RIP KIRBY

WHAT A PICTURE!
DESHON, YOU CERTAINLY
HAVE A WAY WITH
WOMEN AND
DOGS!

TOO BAD YOU'RE A TERTIALLER, DES... YOU
LOOK AS IF YOU COULD USE A DRINK... AND
YOUR LOVING SAINT
BERNARD CARRIES
THE TRADITIONAL
BRANDY FLASK.

THE BRANDY FLASK!
I WONDER...
I WONDER...

By ALEX RAYMOND

SIR TIMOTHY?

HIS LAST WILL
AND TESTAMENT
NOT TO MENTION
SPECIFICALLY THAT
HIS SOLE LEGATEE
SHALL BE THE
LITTLE LADY KATHY
AS MARY WHOSE
ARTISTS HAVE
ENTERTAINED MY
(HIM) DECLINING
YEARS.

BUT I'VE
NEVER HEARD
OF HIM!

PERHAPS NOT
BUT I CAN
ASSUME YOU KNOW
THAT YOU ARE THE
ONLY (ONE) WHO
ANSWERED THE
DESCRIPTION IN
THE HUM-MILL

McNutt Coming To Hong Kong

San Francisco, April 17.
Mr. Paul V. McNutt, former
U.S. High Commissioner
to the Philippines, left
San Francisco on a two
months tour of the Orient.
He was accompanied by his
wife and Mr. Cornelius V.
Starr, a business associate.

Mr. McNutt said he was
making the flight for purely
personal business in connection
with his law practice. He is
travelling by Philippines
Air Lines.

Mr. McNutt is to reach
Manila at 2:30 p.m. (Manila
time) on April 22. He plans
to be there two weeks.

While in Manila, Mr.
McNutt said, he will work
out details for the remainder
of his tour which will take
him to Tokyo, Shanghai, Hong
Kong and cities in India.

The American preparations
assumed particular importance
in view of mounting evidence
that the Soviet Union is plan-
ning to stake a claim in the
Antarctic where, according to
Moscow Radio, there is reason
to believe that uranium is to

be found.

Powerful Soviet whaling fleets
cruised the South Polar sea for
four months last winter.

The next exploration starts in
December when France, which
failed to get through the ice pack
last winter, will try again. In
addition, Britain, Sweden and



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"TJIBADAK"	from Macassar & Javaports 12th May.	to Javaports & Macassar 12th May.
"HONGKONG-MANILA-CHINA SERVICE "TASMAN"	from Amoy 18th April.	to Manila & Amoy 19th April.

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"STRAAT SOENDA"	from Japan 21st May	to East & South Africa & South America, 30th April.
"TEGELBERG"	from South America & South Africa, 7th June.	to East & South Africa & South America, 29th May.

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Port Notes

HAPPY EASTER

One of those rare influx of ships into port caught many shore personnel unaware last week-end, resulting in last-minute social cancellation, followed by the inevitable "mutterings."

Kowloon Wharf, itself, saw a rarity when seven ships lined up along the piers. Some cleared earlier, to be replaced almost immediately by new arrivals. It's just the same old story of the show must go on! (And now who's talking about holidays?)

Now that river vessels are arriving from Canton on regular schedules despite the looming threat of sabotage by Pearl River pirates, waterfront circles are again speculating.

Could it have been the full before the storm or was it just "hot air"?

However, strict vigilance is still being maintained and ships leaving port here are thoroughly searched by the Waterfront Seachasing Unit one or two hours before sailing.

There's even talk of several new craft joining this run.

To Wing Shipping Company have added two vessels on their Canton schedules—Jade Leaf and Wing Hing.

Talking about sailing reminds me of an adventurous attempt by a retired 50-year-old Australian skipper and a teenager to sail across the South Pacific to "Down Under" in a reconverted life boat early last year.

They would have made the headlines had they succeeded.

Luck, unfortunately, was against them. The fateful trip was culminated by "mutiny" on high seas.

Equipped with wireless and several modern navigation aids, the reftited life boat took six days to get 50 miles out to sea, because of prevailing bad weather.

Struck by physical ailments, the master decided to return, but the youthful mate insisted on resuming their trip.

An argument ensued. In anger the skipper released the rudder and let it drift away.

The "mutineer" however, dived for it and recovered the vital link. They reached port in one and a half days with favourable winds.

The craft was sold. It is believed that both adventurers are now in Australia.

Passing through the Colony during the week-end on their way to the United States from Manila by the s.s. Ishand Mill were Mr. and Mrs. Chauncy A. Newcomb and their one-year-old child.

Mr. Newcomb, Traffic Manager for Everett Steamship Corporation, Manila, is on home leave for six months.

He was formerly Sub-Manager of the local office.

Mr. Newcomb is the daughter of the former manager (Far East) of the Canadian Pacific Steamship Company, Mr. D. Drummond.

They will spend their furlough in Canada.

Mr. R. Corbett of the Shipping Department of Jardine, Matheson, is leaving for Home leave by the end of this month.

Coming from Calcutta, he has been serving since 1947. He leaves for Canada via the United States.

Mr. N. Booker will take over during his absence.

When the ss. Pacific Transport weighed anchor at San Francisco Pier on May 5 bound for the Orient, she will inaugurate a new programme of the Pacific Transport Line.

This is to improve its growing trans-Pacific services through faster turn-round and greater sailing regularity, manifesting consolidation as well as adjustment to Orient trade conditions.

Cargo loaded at San Francisco will be discharged on the morning of the 12th, day at Yokohama and the morning of the 18th day at Manila.

The faster schedule will provide two sailings monthly to and from Manila and Hong Kong with vessels alternating between Keelung, Shanghai and Taku Bar.

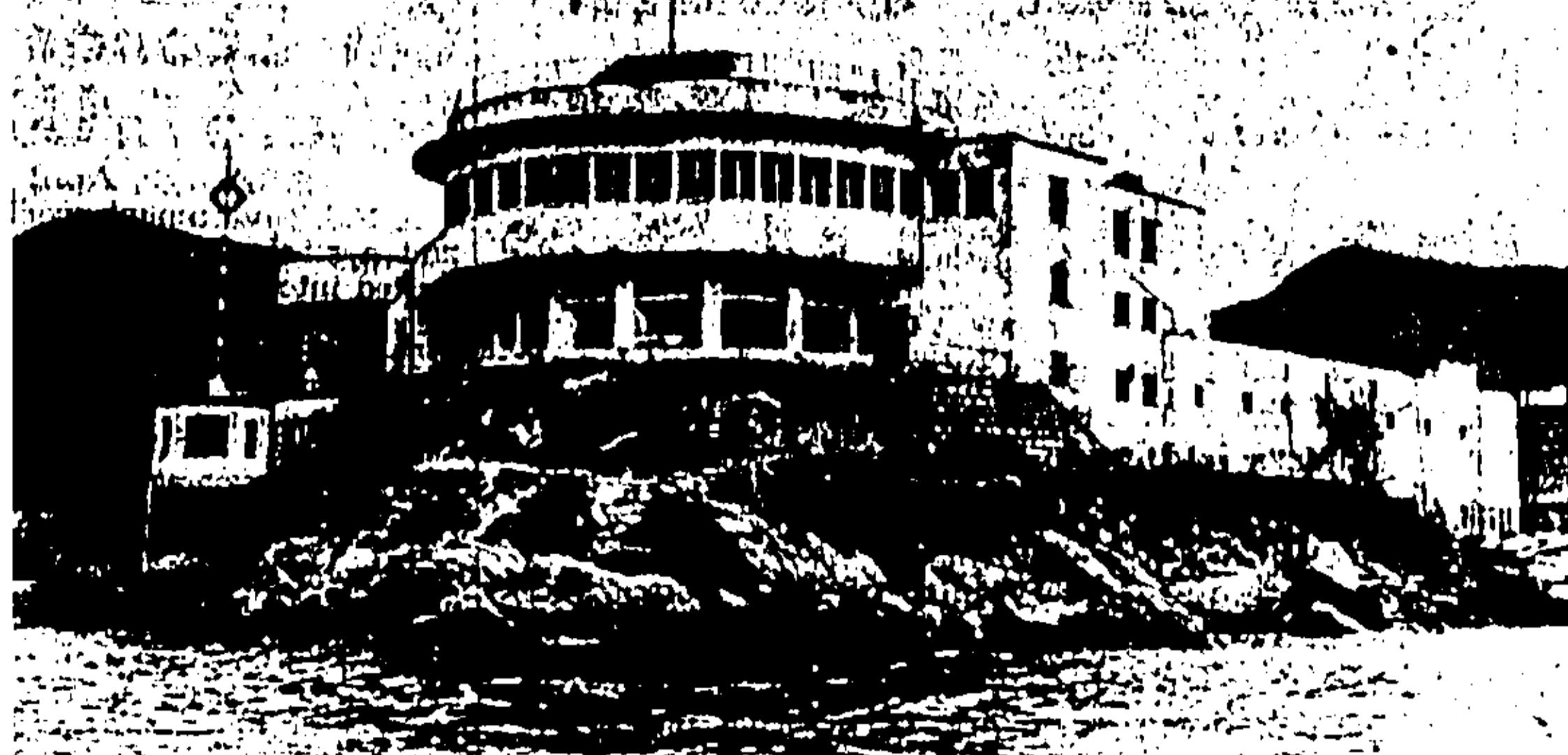
The 60-foot Bermuda rig Orient, won her latest race in the "Gone Long Distance Trophy" in a Manhasset Bay Yacht Club race, held off Port Washington in September, 1948.

The race was part of the MBYC's Fall race series, covering a period of five days.

Built in 1938, the Orient was taken by her owner, a certain Mr. Jencks, believed to be an American millionaire, aboard a steamer.

Another 60-foot Bermuda rig, the Golden Dragon, made an epic trip from Singapore to the United Kingdom in 1930. Her owner is Colonel H. S. Rouse, former director of the PWD, Hong Kong, who has retired to Brixham, Devon.

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Hong Kong's yachting activities centre on Kellett Island, off the East Point Godowns, Causeway Bay, site of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, which owns a fleet of 27 craft, including Dragons, Redwings, Stars and dinkies. Members' craft total 52. Many local yachts have proved their worth in the regular races held by the RHKYC, a tribute to our standard of yacht building. ("China Mail" Photo)

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Little is known locally of our yacht building industry which is practically defunct today except for maintenance and repair services.

But Hong Kong-built craft have made good abroad and have gained for the Colony a reputation for producing "thoroughbreds," known in the United States, England, the Continent and Australia.

They met over the pantry in the galley of the as Martin Bakke a year ago at Oslo, and became one of these "boy meets girl" romances.

Today both are in the Colony, working on the same ship, which arrived here on Saturday, are en route to New York today where they plan to get married by June.

"After a few more months of sailing, it's gond-live to the sea," Olav Vangen, 29-year-old chief steward of the Reinhold, declared.

CRUISER CLASS CRAFT

Today we have in the Colony, a 20-foot cruiser class craft, also built by the Wing On Shing Shipyard, which has made good locally.

The Aquilla proved her mettle in several local races, coming out a clear winner each time.

She is the only craft of her design among the existing "fleet" of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. Her owner is Mr. F. Cleary.

Three sailing craft, built by Ah King Slipway, the Colony's only known large-scale yacht building yard, made sailing history by their epic voyages across the Pacific.

The 46-foot yacht Romance crossed the Pacific Ocean under her own sail in 1938 with her owner, Captain Green, former skipper of the Empress of Asia, his son and a Chinese friend. She reached Vancouver safely without mishap.

The hermaphrodite brig sailed from Hong Kong for the Philippines. She made several epic voyages travelling in Philippine waters.

Estimated to have cost about HK\$40,000 (at the existing price), the 70-foot teak Indi Soong took 16 weeks to reach San Francisco under her sails and auxiliary power.

Another craft built by Ah King Slipway which made good was the HK\$70,000 junk-style but yacht-designed Chung Ho, whose original owner was believed to be one of the Rockefeller family.

The Chung Ho sailed from Hong Kong in 1938 through the South Sea Islands on a research cruise for six crew and 12 passengers. Her water supply can last 10 persons a month. The sail area is approximately 2,000 square feet.

During the last war, she was seized by the Japanese at Manila and her owner, Mr. Philip P. Whitmarsh of Washington, D. C. was interned for more than three years in Philippine camps.

Two racing craft built by the same shipyard are proud owners of several racing trophies in America and England.

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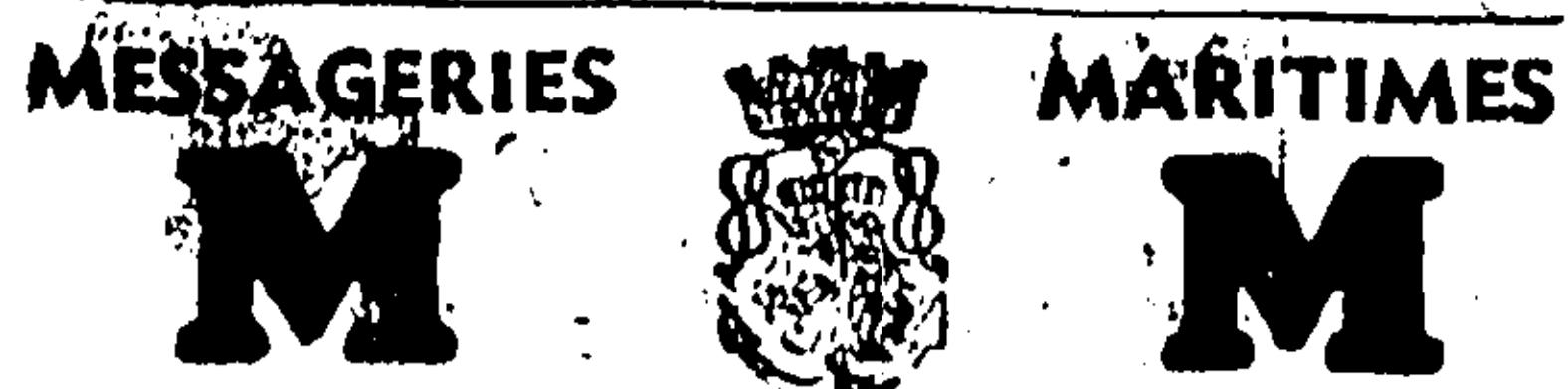
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REIMHOFF (Wallen) for Shanghai.
TALAHOT (Thoresen) for Keelung.

TOMORROW

BALUCHISTAN (Jardine) for Japan.
GHEE MAH (Jardine) for Amoy.
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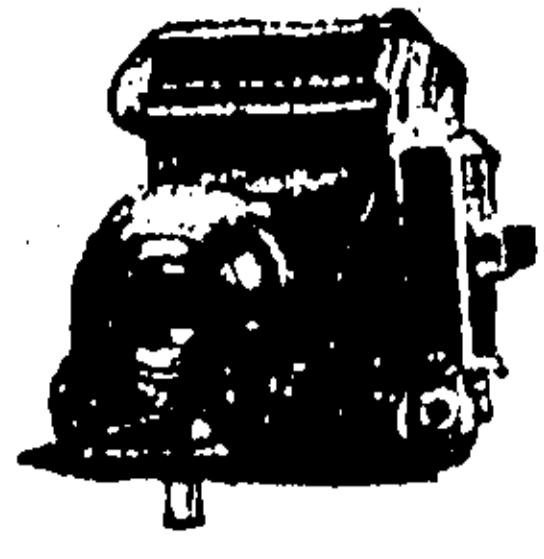
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(By RAPIER)

The Second Day of the Easter Race Meeting will commence at Noon today, and there are twelve events, the most important of which is the St. George's Plate.

It is a handicap event for Australian ponies of 1949 with Skymaster and Jeep Hee, winners of the Saseoon Challenge Cup and Mongkoktsui Handicap, respectively, last Saturday, barred.

Race No. 1—Yamati Stakes (Second Section): From The Two Mile Post Once Round & In.

Our Novice Jockeys will be on view in this opening event, and they will be called upon to handle Australian ponies of 1949 classified Class 6. Iron Mack will be ridden by Mr. Thomas, and, in view of its performance at the last meeting when it came second in the Newbury Stakes (Third Section) over six furlongs, should be strongly fancied to win. I think it will go to the neck, leaving Mabel (Mr. Castro) and Roslyn (Mr. Darkin) to dispute second place. Mr. Williamson will ride Amber and Mr. Mok will take out. Above Power, Amber has a nice very movement, and under Mr. Williamson it may do better than one may expect.

Race No. 2—Lai Chi Kok Stakes (First Section): Six Furlongs.

The race will be contested by Australian ponies of previous seasons classified Class 3. Jockey Allowance. I believe that, although entered, Lili Marlene may not accept here. The other entries have a practically even chance, and I fancy Heroic Lassie to win. It will be ridden by Mr. Pote-Hunt. However, in view of Bootle's win in the First Part Handicap (First Section) at the Second Race Meeting, it will find strong support. Chief Pilot (Mr. Castro) will be given top weight of 159 lbs, with Mater-piece (Mr. Castro) to carry 151 lbs, less 5 lbs for a Novice jockey, and I am afraid that they must be ruled out as far as winning is concerned. I expect to see Heroic Lassie coming in first, with Bootle second and Chief Pilot third, leaving Masterpiece as the outsider capable of creating an upset.

Race No. 3—Easter Handicap: Six Furlongs.

As result of winning the Sandown Patch Handicap over one mile of the last meeting, Panda (Mr. K. F. Chiu) has been penalized by 17 lbs but even at 159 lbs it has still a chance of repeating its previous success.

Race No. 10—Salwanho Handicap (Second Section): One and a Quarter Miles.

Second Section of Australian ponies of previous seasons classified Class 4 will gather together for this event, and it looks as if the finish will be fought out between four ponies only. Prince Delight (Mr. Pote-Hunt) will undoubtedly be made hot favourite, and on form, it should certainly have no difficulty in winning. Anyway (Mr. Shieh), winner of the Customs House Handicap (First Section) at the Third Race Meeting, should be second place. For the third position, I think Argentino (Mr. Cook) is the choice, but I recommend keeping an eye on Casula (Mr. S. W. Lee).

Race No. 4—Ho Man Tin Handicap: One Mile.

A perusal of the entries in this race, reserved for Australian ponies of 1949 Classified Class 3 should provide an exciting finish. V. I. P. will be taken out by Mr. Tao, but its chances of winning seems rather remote on account of its heavy burden of 159 lbs. Foyle will again be ridden by

speedy and Elmar (Mr. Castro) is quite capable of winning.

Race No. 8—St. George's Plate: One Mile.

This is the main event of the day and is confined to Australian ponies of 1949 with winners of this Meeting barred. Arabian Dagger, ridden by Mr. Pote-Hunt at the Third Race Meeting, was placed second behind Skymaster in the Magazine Gap Handicap (First Section) over this distance, and in view of that run it has a grand opportunity of winning this afternoon. Ben Wyvis (Mr. D. Black), winner of the Pearce Memorial Cup and Griffins Champion at the Annual Meeting over the Champion distance, is very fit at the moment, and it should give the above pony the right of its life if it does not actually win. Duchess Delight (Mr. C. F. Ng), High Speed (Mr. Gregory), My Love (Mr. Holgate) and The Tigress (Mr. Kwok) will probably be the other four starters. Duchess Delight came third in the above race against Arabian Dagger, and there is no reason why it should not be placed in the same position again.

Race No. 9—Lai Chi Kok Stakes (Second Section): Six Furlongs.

To pick the likely winner from the list of ponies entered for this event is no easy problem, as all of them have not won a race before. Judging from its run on April 14 during morning training when it completed the six furlongs in 2.21, just quarter 29.4 seconds, Big Bluff (Mr. Ostromoff) should have no difficulty in winning. This pony, however, is more suitable over this distance, but in view of the opposition, it should not be fully extended, except, perhaps, by Condor (Mr. Muu), Jetfire (Mr. Tao) should be placed and Mimi (Mr. Alexander) may be worth following for place also.

Race No. 11—Kwong Yiu Handicap: One and a Quarter Miles.

Second Section of Australian ponies of previous seasons classified Class 3 will figure in this event. Although many will place their faith in Noonday Sun (Mr. Gregory) on account of its win in the First Part Handicap (Second Section) over six furlongs at the Second Race Meeting, I prefer Crown Witness (Mr. Ng) which was unplaced in this race on account of its illness at the moment during morning gallop, with Noonday Sun second and Milix (Mr. Ostromoff) third.

Race No. 12—Hunghom Stakes (First Section): Six Furlongs.

In this race confined to Australian ponies of previous seasons classified Class 6 an interesting finish should eventuate. Dine How (Mr. K. F. Chiu) will have an opportunity to score a belated win. It did nothing of note lately, but it should come in first in this class. Dashing Beauty II (Mr. Muu) is the next best bet, but it must also be borne in mind that Tunny (Mr. Gregory) is a fast moving animal and if it can take the lead, there will be no catching it. Marber (Mr. Ostromoff) is also

strongly fancied to win.

Race No. 13—Shaukiwan Handicap (First Section): From The Two Mile Post Once Round & In.

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'Rapiers' Selections For Today

Race No. 1
IRON MASK
MABEL
ROSELYN
Outsider: Amber.

Race No. 2
THE HOPEFUL
BAHIM
GREEN VELVET
Outsider: Canadian Potato.

Race No. 3
PRINCE DELIGHT
ANYWAY
ARGENTINE MOON
Outsider: Cassie.

Race No. 4
FOYLE
LUCKY STARTER
SOUTHEAST WIND
Outsider: Pegasus.

Race No. 5
HEROIC LASSIE
BOOTSIE
CHIEF PILOT
Outsider: Masterpiece.

Race No. 6
PANDA
DAIBY BELL
BASHFUL BEAUTY
Outsider: Amazon.

Race No. 7
DING HOW
DASHING BEAUTY II
TUNNY
Outsider: Marber.

Race No. 8
ARABIAN DAGGER
BEN WYVIS
DUCHESS DELIGHT
Outsider: High Speed.

Race No. 9
BIG BLUFF
CONDOR
JETPIPE
Outsider: Mimi.

Race No. 10
CROWN WITNESS
NOONDAY SUN
MINX
Outsider: Peggy.

Race No. 11
KWONG YIU
AUTUMN LEAF
WINDERMERE
Outsider: Argus.

Race No. 12
BEAFIRE
BIG SHOT
FLYING JIB
Outsider: The Dingo.

Police Club Lawn Bowls Green Open

The Police Recreation Club Lawn Bowls Green was officially opened yesterday when the visitors were entertained in a friendly six rinks game of bowls. Prior to the game a group photograph was taken of the participating players.

The Club house were gaily decorated. The green was in good condition but the going was heavy.

The game ended in the visitors winning by a narrow margin of eight shots, the final score being 122-114. The visitors won on three rinks, lost on two and finished all square on another.

The rink skippered by A. E. Coates of Craigengower CC won by the biggest margin at the expense of Hayward. In their total of 32 shots, Coates registered six, two fours and a three. In all Coates scored on 12 of the 21 heads played.

Hayward and his men scored on nine heads but Coates kept him down to two and singles.

W. R. Hillyer made a welcome return to the game when he skippered his rink to victory over Sammy Shields, the visitors rink in a good game by 10 shots. Pinkington, lead man for Hillyer, played a consistent game while both Pope and Hillyer did what was expected of them. Sammy Shields was up against it but in spite of that acquitted himself well.

Police RC
Pinkington
Finney
C. Pope
W.R. Hillyer
T. Waller
Galvin
W. Cameron
J. Bradley
Saul
Davies
Wilson
F. Channing
Saunders
Goodman
T. Chr.
C. Downman
F. Nolan
McSmith
Brown
Hollands
Roberts
Wheeler
J. Forrest
Hayward
Total

Visitors
G. Sewell
K.B. Marshall
J.H. Kinniburg
H.F. Shields
(Skip)
S.O. Bux
J. Russell
B.A. Mansell
S.M. Rumjahn
(Skip)
Burnhams
Penfold
W.C. Ordley
Hughes
(Skip)
J. Nottomley
J. Stokoe
N.A. Beltrao
A.P. Pereira
(Skip)
Graham
Elliott
Grant
McCutcheon
(Skip)
H. Glittins
J.H. Xavier
A.E. Guest
A.E. Coates
(Skip)
Total

11
10
16
16
11
17
24
22
32
122

An Interesting Game

A very interesting game was seen between Bill Hollands of the Police and J. McCutcheon of the Visitors. McCutcheon registered nine shots in the first five heads to lead 9-0. Hollands then scored 15 shots in six heads to lead 14-10. By the end of the 18th head, Hollands was leading 22-14. McCutcheon came back strongly on the last three heads scoring eight shots to finish all square.

Hollands scored two fives and a four in his total of 22 shots.

A. P. Pereira and his men registered three fours and a three to beat C. Downman of the Police by 24-14. Pereira scored on 11 of the 21 heads played. On the 14th head the score was 14-14. Pereira and his men exerted pressure and won eventually by seven shots.

By steady bowling, Channing and his men beat Hillyer's rink by ten shots. Hughes and his men at one time led 6-4. Saul and Davies, Channing's front men, played a good game.

Tang, Kwong-sum and Wong King-chung, the Chinese wingers, were always dangerous when on the move and invariably came out on top in their encounters with the opposing defence.

For Singapore Army Service, gave a magnificent performance in goal and cannot be blamed for any of the shots which went past him. Time and again he stood between the Chinese and goals.

The two backs, Snellson and Young, failed to show the same confidence as that which characterised their play in the two previous games.

The brunt of the Chinese attack was borne by Whitehorn, the Singapore Army pivot, who proved to be a real stumbling block in the way of the Chinese forwards, particularly in the air.

White and Butler lent Whitehorn valuable support, but they found the tricky and elusive Chinese wingers extremely difficult to handle.

Inglis And Todd

Inglis, the Singapore Army centre-forward, again showed up well and continually harassed the Chinese defence, which found his speed somewhat disconcerting. He also gave another brilliant display and together with Sheat worked hard to break through the Chinese defence.

Wilson and Porter, the wingers, were seldom seen to advantage and more often than not lost the ball to the fast tackling Chinese defenders.

Play opened evenly, with both sides attacking in turn. Inglis came into the picture with a ringing shot which struck the crossbar with Cheung Koon-hing well.

The Chinese swept up the field and launched a series of attacks, all of which were repulsed by the Singapore defence, which smothered shots from all angles.

Combined Chinese took the lead when Lo Wah-sing, after receiving a pass down the centre, outpaced the Singapore defence and went through to beat Service with a fast shot.

Chinese Attack

The Chinese continued to do most of the attacking, but try as they would, they could not find a weak spot in the opposing defence, which withstood the determined onslaughts in fine style.

The Singapore Army forwards were sent away occasionally, but were unable to hustle the Chinese defence into making an tactical error.

Lo Wah-sing again broke through on his own, but his parting effort went too high.

The Chinese completely overran the Singapore Army and although they tried hard to score, their efforts were frustrated time and again.

The half time whistle came with the Chinese still holding their slender 1-0 lead.

Second Half

The opening stages of the second half saw Singapore Army take over the initiative and it seemed as if they would soon obtain the equaliser.

Although hard pressed, the Chinese defence fought back gamely and kept their citadel intact.

The game then developed into a ding-dong struggle, with the ball being rapidly transferred from one end of the field to the other and both goalkeepers earning well deserved applause for brilliant saves.

The Chinese increased their lead when, after a neat bout of passing, the ball went to Siu Cheuk-ying, who netted with a neat effort.

COLT WINS HANDICAP

Johannesburg, April 16. The Johannesburg & Districts Handicap, run over one and a quarter miles today, was won by the three-year old colt, Prince Bertrand, starting at six to one.

In a thrilling finish, Prince Bertrand beat Nile Delta by a short head with Andrea four lengths away third.

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Paris, April 16. Marcel Cerdan, French holder

of the world middleweight title, is

to meet the French-Polish boxer, Lucien Krawczyk, in a non-title

match on May 7.

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SINGAPORE SOCCER XI LOSE TO CHINESE TEAM

Singapore Army 0—Combined Chinese 3

Singapore Army suffered their first defeat yesterday, when they lost to Combined Chinese by three clear goals in a thrill-packed game at Sookunpoo.

The Combined Chinese team, which was composed of players who were not able to make the grade for the Manila Interport or proposed Saigon tour, gave a display which exceeded all expectations.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

Singapore Army 0 Combined Chinese

SECOND DIVISION